MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I want to know whether, in case he failed to supply the Trivandrum town with water, the Travancore Government could have any hold upon him.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Mr. Madeley did not undertake to supply the Trivandrum town with water. He was asked only to prepare a report on the question of the construction of water works.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know the total amount that has been paid to him?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Rs. 2,908.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know the important terms?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He should submit a report to the Government after examining Mr. Banerjee's report on the water works scheme. He asked for payment at the rate of Rs. 150 *per diem* besides actual travelling expenses and at the rate of Rs. 25 per hour of his work in preparing the report.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Am I to understand that Mr. Madeley was asked simply to revise the report submitted by Mr. Banerjee?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He was asked to examine Mr. Banerjee's report and to make any suggestions or changes in it if he found any necessity for it, and also to inspect the locality and find out the means of carrying out the water works scheme.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Has he made alterations in or additions to Mr. Banerjee's report?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government have not yet examined Mr. Madeley's report. It is only after examining it that they will be in a position to know the changes that he has made.

Stock-taking of Stationery Articles.

33. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there ever was a proposal to take stock of the different articles of stationery purchased for the Government; and

(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative, at what stage the proposal is?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) An officer has to be nominated for the purpose.

Men Doctors and Midwifery Operations.

34. MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum cum Neduvangad*): (1) Will the Government be pleased to state the number of midwifery operations performed in the year 1101 by men medical officers?

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